

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the amendments presented above before examination of the present Continuation Application. Upon entry of the foregoing amendments, Applicant cancels claims 7, 8, 10, 13-15; amends claims 1-2, 4-6 and 11-12; and add claims 16-24.

Moreover, in an effort to expedite prosecution of this matter, and in light of the most recent Office Action in the parent applications, the Examiner may again cite Shiotto et al., European Patent Application Number 97120401.1, filed November 20, 1997 ("Shiotto"); Pinsky et al., U.S. Patent Number 5,13,101, filed June 7, 1995 ("Pinsky"); and Sato et al., U.S. Patent Application Number 08/979,252, filed November 26, 1997 ("Sato") as prior art. **As suggested by the Examiner in the "Examiner's Remarks" section of the January 15, 2004 Office Action the parent 10/029,817 application, Applicant amends the remaining independent claims which were rejected in the parent 10/029,817 application.** As such, Applicant submits that the pending claims in this Continuation Application are patentable over Shiotto, Pinsky and Sato. Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the amendments presented above in light of the following remarks.

Shiotto essentially discloses a system, including an image server, for storing and utilizing pictures taken by a digital camera. (Shiotto at column 5, lines 52-58, and column 6). Shiotto does not teach or suggest a system for facilitating the transmission of data from a facility to a centralized host server for remote viewing from a computer, wherein the centralized host server is configured to construct and transmit to the computer a web page, as disclosed in the present claims. Specifically, Shiotto does not include a centralized host server configured to construct and transmit a web page to a computer, as disclosed in the present claims. Furthermore, Shiotto does not contemplate an uploader device configured to receive data from a data acquisition device, said uploader device configured to transmit said data over a network, wherein said network is at least one of a public, packet-switched Internet and an Ethernet, as disclosed in the present claims. Instead,

Shioto contemplates transfer of digital pictures via radio communication. (Shioto at column 8, referencing Figure 3).

Pinsky discloses a radiological interpretation apparatus and method, which basically acts as a routing system for radiological studies. The system receives images from various hospitals, routes the images to various radiological facilities for interpretation and then routes the interpretations back to the hospitals. (Pinsky at columns 3-4). Pinsky does not teach or suggest, however, a system for facilitating the transmission of data from a facility to a centralized host server for remote viewing from a computer, wherein the centralized host server is configured to construct and transmit to the computer a web page, as disclosed in the present claims. Among other things, the Pinsky system does not include a centralized host server and is not configured to construct and transmit a web page to a computer, as disclosed in the present claims. Finally, Pinsky contemplates use of a wide area network, but does not contemplate a network that is at least one of a public, packet-switched Internet or an Ethernet, as disclosed in the present claims. (Pinsky at columns 5-6).

Sato generally discloses a communication apparatus, system and method for relaying and receiving data from an information source which presents data services via a network such as the Internet. Again, Sato does not teach or suggest a system for facilitating the transmission of data from a facility to a centralized host server for remote viewing from a computer, wherein the centralized host server is configured to construct and transmit to the computer a web page, as disclosed in the present claims. Specifically, the Sato system includes multiple camera servers and delivery servers, but not a centralized host server, as disclosed in the present claims. (Sato at paragraphs 0087-0089). Furthermore, server 100n is not similar to the centralized host server of the present invention, so Sato does not include a similar centralized host server configured to construct and transmit a web page to a computer, as disclosed in the present claims.

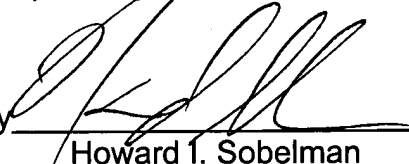
Just as the claims which cover the systems described in the present Continuation Application are patentable, so to are the claims that cover the methods.

In general, neither Shioto, Pinsky nor Sato teach or disclose a method for facilitating the transmission of data from a facility via a centralized host server to a computer, comprising accepting, at said centralized host server, one or more images transmitted from an uploader device; assembling a web page, including said one or more images, at said centralized host server in response to a request from said computer; and, transmitting said web page to said computer. More specifically, neither Shioto, Pinsky nor Sato include assembling a web page at a centralized host server or transmitting said web page to a computer.

In light of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance, and earnestly solicits a Notice of Allowance at the Examiner's earliest convenience. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if such would advance prosecution of this Application in any way.

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